

TRIBUTE TO THE COUNTRY EDITOR.

Washington, March 2.—The House spent another day in debate upon the Lend bill relating to second class mail matter. The speeches, as a rule, attracted little interest. The speakers were Messrs. Brownell (Republican, Ohio) and Ogden (Democrat, La.), in favor of the Measure, and Messrs. Bell (Populist, Col.), Simpson (Populist, Kans.), Clark (Democrat, Mo.), Brown (Republican, O.), and Lentz (Democrat, O.), in opposition to it, mainly on the grounds that it was inimical to the interests of the country editor.

Mr. Clark was once editor of a weekly newspaper and he delivered a eulogy on the country editor. "He is as faithful to the people as the needle to the pole," said he. "In the moment of our campaign of 1896, when a vast majority—not all, mark you, but vast majority—of Democratic metropolitan newspapers basely deserted their colors, and went, bag and baggage, horse, foot and dragons in the camp of the enemy, the country weeklies, with rare exceptions, stood by the cause of Bryan, Democracy and unshaken fidelity, superb courage and commendable self-abnegation, thereby vindicating the patriotism, wisdom and independence of the American press. Upon this same country editor we must depend largely for honest, courageous, patriotic press service in the conditions now prevailing, as well as that of 1900, and surely upon the Democratic side of the House we would be acting with unwisdom to deprive him of any of his prerogatives.

"The Lend bill might not unjustly be entitled 'an act to diminish the supply of anti Republican campaign literature.' Then it would be true to its name. Republicans having nine-tenths of the great metropolitan papers, may find some excuse for supporting a measure which will squelch Democrats, Populists and Free Silver Republicans cannot afford to do so unless they are meditating political suicide."

NO SUNDAY.

The New Orleans Picayune says: "The proposition to place in the State constitution a clause virtually expunging Sunday from any consideration or protection or recognition in the laws of Louisiana is something as radical as it is remarkable. There is not a nation in the limits of Christendom, much less a State in the Union, that does not recognize Sunday as a day of general rest and recreation. There has been no action by the merchants who deal in dry goods, groceries and general merchandise asking that their doors be kept open and their customers be admitted on Sunday. They are not moving in this matter. They are willing to keep their places of business closed on Sunday; but if the Sunday closing shall be abolished and one competitor should open his doors for business on that day, then every other competitor in the same line will be forced in self-defense to do likewise, and the result will be that the workers of six days on the week will become slaves on the seventh and have no redress or recourse, because the convention will have put it out of the power of the courts and of the Legislature to give them relief.

"The simple fact is, that the only people who really oppose with any bitterness the Sunday closing are the liquor sellers. There are two thousand barrooms in New Orleans. They represent a very small proportion of the voters of this city, and yet they exert a powerful political influence when they choose to use it. They have controlled legislation in this city in times past, but they have never been able to dominate the State Legislature, and it is natural enough that they should desire that all power to legislate contrary to their wishes should be taken from the General Assembly. If they could get themselves established in the constitution at the expense of the people's Sunday rest, they would be, indeed, the ruling power in the State."

A decree was entered in the Circuit Court of Albemarle county recently in the case of the tax-payers of Roanoke county against the Valley Railroad Company and others, releasing Roanoke county from all liability on account of any alleged subscription to the Valley railroad, and perpetuating the injunction that has been granted heretofore. This settles the matter, unless the parties take an appeal, which is not likely. This case has been in the courts since 1879, when the Board of Supervisors employed Judge Wm. J. Robertson, J. Allen Watts and Johnson & Morgan to fight the case for the county, agreeing to pay them a fee of \$1,200.

Mr. Ernest S. Strayer, of Harrisonburg, the clerk to the Attorney General, resigned because the Legislature reduced the salary of his office to \$600. Mr. D. A. Richie, of Richmond, succeeds Mr. Strayer.



Love has a long way to go to reach the heart of the modern young man. When he looks for a wife, he expects a good deal. Probably he expects more than he can get. He wants a good nature, good looks, good sense, good nature, good health. They usually go together. An observing man learns that a woman who is physically weak and nervous and incapable, is likely to be ill-natured too. The sweetest temper is ruined by continual sickness.

A woman whose nerves are constantly racked and dragged by debilitating drains and inflammation, cannot be a genial companion or happy wife; and she is totally unfitted to be a mother. These troubles prevail almost universally among women largely because of careless dress and neglect. There is no real need of them. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a positive specific for the weaknesses and diseases of the feminine organism. It cures them radically and completely. It heals, strengthens and purifies. It is the only scientific remedy devised for this special purpose by an educated, skilled physician. It is the only medicine that makes clean, it is the only medicine that makes motherhood easy and absolutely safe.

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MUST WORK FOR SOUND MONEY.

Representatives of the State organization of Jefferson or Gold Democrat party met in Philadelphia last Thursday and resolved to put in the field a ticket of their own for State officers, from the Governorship down and for members of Congress in every district.

A letter was received from Ex-President Cleveland in which he says: "I cannot account for the arrogant confidence of the free silver forces except upon the theory that they are led to believe that there is very little aggressive force to be made by their opponents."

"If any one believing with us suppose that free silver can be prevented from controlling the two Houses of the next Congress without effective organization and hard work, the quicker he abandons that idea the more useful he will be as a sound-money man."

"I am so earnest in my desire to see our country blessed with safe money and a suitable financial system that I am of the opinion we ought to give patriotic and consistent support to any plan which insures this result and which has the elements that promise its successful advocacy."

A WOMAN'S WIT.

A western judge was approached by a verdant couple who wanted to be married. The would be groom asked the price of tying the knot and was told it was \$1.

"Can't you take beeswax?" inquired the rustic.

"Yes," said the squire.

The wax was brought in and upon being weighed was found to be worth just 60 cents.

"Well," said the anxious groom, "tie the knot, and I'll fetch more wax next week."

"No, sir. I don't trust. That is against the rules of this office."

Slowly the disappointed youth turned to go out, saying, "Come, Sal, let's go."

"I say, mister," answered Sal, with a woman's wit, "can't you marry us as far as the wax will go?"

"Yes, I can and I will," responded the judge, laughing, and he did.

OVER ONE THOUSAND LAWS.

The Legislature recently adjourned passed more bills than any which ever convened in Richmond, having 1,043 to its credit. The former Governor and Governor Tyler vetoed eight of these, five failed to receive the Governor's signature on the last day of the session, and four others, for various reasons, did not become laws. Thus, 1,026 new laws will now go upon the statute books of Virginia, a larger number than after the adjournment of any previous Legislature. About 500 bills introduced failed to pass.

A stomachful of undigested food is about as unhealthy a mass as one can well imagine.

What can be done with it? There it stays. It won't digest. It churns up, ferments and decays; becomes poisonous (as all putrid matter does) and causes great pain and deep-seated disorders.

In order to change all this, take Shaker Digestive Cordial.

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THE SOUTH.

Utica, N. Y. Saturday Globe.

In taking inventory of our fighting strength the South has not been overlooked, neither has she made any particular demonstration of her feelings towards Spain to indicate her attitude. But her people have quietly passed along the word that if trouble comes the South will not be a whit behind the North in rallying to the support of the government. The southerners have watched the progress of affairs recently with a discernment as keen as that of their brothers of the northland and their love of country was as deeply wounded at the destruction of the Maine as if the heroes had been recruited from their midst.

Let the tocsin of war be sounded and the men who valiantly followed the Confederate standard on a hundred battlefields will vie with those who opposed them from '61 to '65 in defending the stars and stripes. The fighting Virginians whose splendid courage under the lead of Pickett at Gettysburg is immortalized, the Louisiana Tigers who faced extermination sooner than yield the day at Missionary Ridge, the Mississippi Rifles who broke the Federal column at Bull Run by their impetuous charge, the Texas Rangers and the Black Horse Cavalry of South Carolina, whose heroic achievements reflect honor upon the States from which they hailed, the sturdy Marylanders, Kentuckians and Missourians who were battling against their brothers, the Tennesseans and the Alabamians and the Arkansas and North Carolina men who never quailed before a foe, all are ready to give of what remains of their strength and courage whenever the nation appeals to arms to humiliate the haughty Spaniard.

All honor to the South whose patriotism shines so brightly in the presence of a fearful crisis.

MR. LINCOLN'S ESTIMATE OF A NEIGHBOR.

(Indianapolis Sentinel.)

A New York firm applied to Abraham Lincoln, some time before he became President, for information as to the financial standing of one of his neighbors. Mr. Lincoln replied as follows: "Yours of the 10th instant received. I am well acquainted with Mr. X, and know his circumstances. First of all, he has a wife and baby; together, they ought to be worth \$50,000. Secondly, he has an office, in which there are a table worth \$1.50 and three chairs, worth, say, \$1. Last of all, there is in one corner a large rat hole which will bear looking into."

Respectfully,

"A. LINCOLN."

GENERAL RALEIGH E. COLSTON.

(Richmond Dispatch.)

Friends of General Raleigh E. Colston, the gallant officer and distinguished gentleman who died here not long ago, desires to raise by subscription a fund with which to erect an appropriate monument over his remains, which rest in beautiful Hollywood cemetery, and also to add a portrait of him in oil to the appealing collection of Southern chieftains, which now grace the walls of R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, in this city. Toward these objects a committee has been appointed of which Captain John E. Langton, jr., the zealous and efficient chairman of the Committee to Secure Portraits for Lee Camp, is chairman, and to him it is requested that all subscriptions for the objects stated be sent.

Inquiries made at the British ship yards indicate that Spain is not buying any warships there.

The stained-glass window to be placed in St. Paul's Church, Richmond, to the memory of President Jefferson Davis is to be unveiled with interesting exercises on Easter Sunday. Some distinguished divines will be invited to preach, and an appropriate musical programme will be rendered by the vested choir.

CASTORIA.

The famous signature of Dr. H. H. H. is on every wrapper.

A dispatch from Richmond says: "The expenses of the trip of Hon. Joseph W. Bailey to Richmond when he addressed the Legislature for three hours on the silver question will not be paid by the State, the Legislature having decided by its refusal to adopt a resolution to the country that such action would be proper."

While Walter Sickley was plowing on G. A. Hinkin's farm near Strasburg, last week, he plowed up the skeleton of a man who had been killed during the war. He had on a Union uniform, but was in all probability a Confederate, as a Union bullet was found imbedded in one of his ribs. The clothing and skeleton were in a fair state of preservation.—Winchester Times.

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BIG FIGHTING MONEY.

(Baltimore Sun.)

Extraordinary preparation for the contingency of war is being made this year by all the great powers of Europe as well as by ourselves. Warlike expenditure is being increased in most cases by over 20 per cent. England is adding to both army and navy. The new navy estimates increase the expenditure by over \$7,202,000, bringing them up to \$118,890,000 for the coming fiscal year, a figure nearly equalled once before, in 1814, when the bill was \$117,520,000. With this year's army estimates added, the total appropriation for the British army and navy reaches \$240,000,000. This is exclusive of the forces in India and the colonies, for which India and the colonies pay. It includes provision for new battle ships and armored cruisers and for improved docks and forts at Gibraltar, Portland and Dover.

The expenditure of the United States for military purposes in the next twelve months, if the \$50,000,000 just appropriated is spent, will much exceed the entire military expenditure of the United Kingdom. For the current year there was appropriated \$208,732,000, of which sum \$34,344,000 was for the army, \$23,120,000 for the navy, \$3,517,000 for forts and fortifications, \$479,000 for the Military Academy, \$141,263,000 for pensions. Adding the \$50,000,000 just appropriated, the total for the year will be \$258,732,000, or \$18,732,000 more than England will spend for like purposes. But for our enormous and wasteful pension list we should have much more to show for our money. We pay some six or seven times as much in pensions as all the rest of the world put together.

The Salem industries are all on a boom. The Salem Machine Works has many orders booked, and new men are being employed in order to fill the orders on time. The woolen mill and pants factory are now employing nearly 200 people and have orders ahead to keep things humming for the next seven or eight months. The steam tannery is working about 100 men, and another large building will shortly be constructed at this ready large plant. The Camden Iron Works is in a very prosperous condition and has many orders to fill.

THE WONDERS OF SCIENCE.

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The Daily Chronicle, in an editorial recently on the Cuban situation, described President McKinley's action throughout the crisis as "a model of statesmanship." It declared that the action of the Washington government in connection with the "American" deserved the highest recognition.

"There is every indication," says the Daily Chronicle, "that the United States are preparing for the inevitable struggle. Soon it will be necessary for Great Britain to show on which side its sympathies lie." After arguing at considerable length upon the "unselfishness of America's motives in desiring to put an end to the hell upon earth in Cuba," and insisting that "America has a better right to interfere than has been put forward as a justification in two out of every three wars in history," the Chronicle continues:

"We hope Great Britain will not only go as far officially as the furthest limits of international law permit, but that public opinion will declare itself openly, unmistakably and in the teeth of all Europe, if necessary, as sympathizing heartily with the motives impelling America at last to take a step so natural and yet one she has so long hesitated to take."

"At the same time we wish it were possible to persuade Spain, even at the eleventh hour that her honor and Cuba might be solved by the recognition of inevitable facts. To bid Cuba be free would be a hard task, but it would be the safest and most dignified course."

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N. & W. Norfolk and Western Railway Schedule in Effect

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LEAVE BUENA VISTA, VA. 10:15

SOUTHWARD		
Lv. New York	3:30 p.m.	
Philadelphia	5:38 p.m.	
Baltimore	7:33 p.m.	
Washington	9:00 p.m.	
Shenandoah Junction	8:35 a.m.	11:00 p.m.
Luray	10:20 a.m.	1:00 a.m.
Basle	12:25 p.m.	2:36 a.m.
Buena Vista	2:13 p.m.	4:48 a.m.
Natural Bridge	2:41 p.m.	4:12 a.m.
Roanoke	4:10 p.m.	5:40 a.m.
Pulaski	6:20 p.m.	8:04 a.m.
Bristol	9:50 p.m.	11:23 a.m.
Knoxville	4:20 a.m.	2:10 p.m.
Chattanooga	8:00 a.m.	5:45 p.m.
Memphis	7:10 p.m.	7:10 a.m.
Ar. New Orleans	6:10 a.m.	8:30 a.m.